

REMARKS


Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, to prosecute the invention of Group I. In addition, the direct oxidation fuel cell system (that incorporates a direct oxidation fuel cell) is illustrated in Fig. 1A. Applicants hereby elect the species illustrated in Fig. 1A, however, should the Examiner require a further restriction, Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, to prosecute the invention of the species illustrated in Figs. 5 and 6 because it is also noted that Fig. 6 is a variation of Fig. 5, both of which are specific examples of fuel cells that can be used in the system of Fig. 1A.

The claims encompassed by Fig. 1A, and Figs. 5 and 6 are in claim Group I, and they include claims 37-46, 55-58 and claims 62-63, claims 65-66 and claims 68-73.

Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned in order to advance the prosecution of this application in any respect.

Please charge any additional fee occasioned by this paper to our Deposit Account No. 03-1237.

Respectfully submitted,


Rita M. Rooney
Reg. No. 30,585
CESARI AND MCKENNA, LLP
88 Black Falcon Avenue
Boston, MA 02210-2414
(617) 951-2500

BEST AVAILABLE COPY